

Heading Back to School

Para la version en español

The first day of the 2017-2018 school year is just on the horizon and our children are getting ready to start classes! Education is one of the core pillars of a strong democracy and is essential to creating citizen leaders and productive members of our society. In order for children to be successful students, they need as much support as they can get from their families, coaches, religious leaders, and the community as a whole. Whether they need help with homework, a place to study, and/or emotional support, we as a community need to make sure that those needs are fulfilled to ensure their success.

We must also not forget the teachers that educate our children and young adults. Teaching is an extremely admirable profession that is often very challenging and thankless. I personally want to thank all of those who take on the responsibility of educating our youth. Please help me thank our teachers, support our students and help our community succeed from the bottom up.

School Supply Drives Need Your Support in Sterling

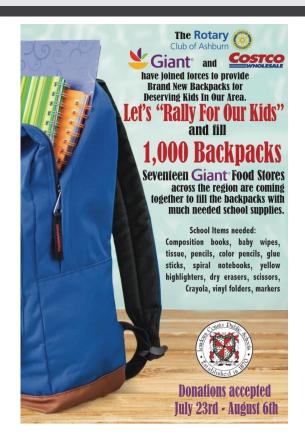
"Rally For Our Kids" drive is being organized by the Rotary Club of Ashburn with Giant and Costco from July 23 to August 6. They intend to pack 1,000 backpacks and other school supplies for students in need.

List of items you can donate:

composition books, baby wipes, pencils, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, tissue, color pencils, yellow highlighters, dry erasers, scissors, crayolas, vinyl folders and markers.

Contact Ken Courter at 571-201-3877 or ken@kencourter.com for questions.

Women Giving Back is also holding a school supplies drive for children they serve in crisis. Supplies can be dropped off at any M&T bank location in Virginia before September 1, 2017. See below for what to donate.



We're collecting supplies for children in crisis for the September Store

Elementary School:

- · New backpack
- 3 composition books
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- 4-6 spiral notebooks
- · 2-pocket folders
- Box of #2 pencils
- Pencil Pouch or art box New socks/underwear
- Erasers
- 3-ring binder
- Glue
- Crayons
- Tissues
- \$25 Payless Gift Cards for new shoes

Middle & High School:

- New backpack
- 3 composition books
- · Loose-leaf notebook
- Ruler
- · 3 five-subject notebooks · Markers
- · 2-pocket folders
- Box of #2 pencils
- Blue or black pens • 3-ring binder
- Calculator (scientific functions helpful)
- Index cards
- Colored pencils





Supplies can be dropped at any M&TBank location in Virginia before Sept. 1, 2017 or visit our website for a full list of donation sites.

Help us send these kids (most in shelters) to school with the things they need to start the year off right!





Women Giving Back.org Helping Women & Children In Crisis info@womengivingback.org



Save the Date: SterlingFest 2017 is Coming October 7!

Join me and others for the 30th Annual SterlingFest on October 7! The SterlingFest starts at 11 am and takes place in the Sterling Park Shopping Center near the Sterling Fire Station and Sterling Community Center. Come for entertainment, live music, delicious food, games, raffles and more!

The SterlingFest is a rain or shine event that fosters community pride and promotes growth by bringing together local businesses and neighbors for a day of celebration. Funds raised during the

SterlingFest 30th Anniversary 1987 - 2017

A Community Celebration

event support the Sterling Foundation, the Sterling Community Center Advisory Board, and the Sterling Playmakers - non-profit groups that do so much for our community. My office will have a table. Stop by and say hello! RSVP and share the event on Facebook!

More local businesses are needed to make this event truly special. Email <u>Vendors@SterlingFest.org</u> to sponsor and participate in the event. Don't miss this great opportunity to reach out to thousands of potential clients.



Soon No More Car Decals!

After much deliberation, the Board and I have decided to discontinue the usage of car decals in Loudoun County. This is a decision that I have supported since its conception in the finance committee.

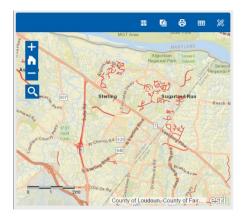
The county will still charge a \$25 vehicle license fee. If the Virginia General Assembly passes the necessary legislation, the county will take over billing and collection of taxes for the towns. Car decals will officially be gone by the start of the 2019

Fiscal Year, which begins July 1st, 2018.

2017 Paving Schedule

The Virginia Department of Transportation is in charge of paving our public roads and streets. If you'd like to know when your road will be paved, visit VDOT's <u>website</u>. They have an interactive map which you can click on and look for the paving status of your road.

If you have any questions, please do not hestitate to contact VDOT Project Manager, James Riddle at (703) 771-2548 or email Ehsan.Aramoon@vdot.virginia.gov.





Free Dental Clinic in Sterling on August 26

Hope for Tomorrow nonprofit is hosting a Free Dental Clinic at the Christ Redeemer Church in Sterling on Saturday, August 26 from 8 am to 3 pm. Services will include cleaning, extractions, fillings and more. Pre-registration and appointment is required and taking place August 12 from 5:30-7:30 pm and August 13 from 10 am-12 pm (following mass).

A government-issued photo ID is requested. Appointments are LIMITED. For more information, call 301-963-5079 or email info@hftusa.org.



Tax Free = Cats Free Weekend!

Loudoun County Animal Services (LCAS) is celebrating Virginia's tax free weekend by waiving adoption fees for all adult cats! Now is the best time to bring home a furry friend and let them settle in before the new school year starts. Come meet some fantastic felines at the LCAS animal shelter or view them online

at www.loudoun.gov/animals. LCAS welcomes adopters from any geolocation! You do not need to be a Loudoun resident. Share the event with others on Facebook!

Adoption Hours:

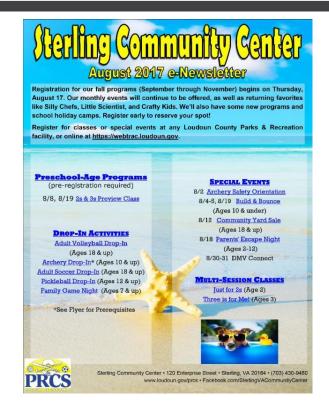
Friday, Aug 4 - 11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday, Aug 5 - 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, Aug 6 - 11:30 a.m to 5:00 p.m.

Sterling Community Center August Programs

This last month of summer, the Sterling Community Center is hosting several fun activities for the whole family! Some include adult soccer, volleyball, pickleball drop-ins and more. See below!

Family Game Nite: Ages 7 and up can come play fun family game such as ping pong, foosball, board games, and video games. This event will be held Monday nights from 6:30 - 8:30pm. For individuals over 18 the cost is \$2.50, and for individuals under 18 the cost \$1.

Build and Bounce: For this event the gymnasium will be filled with building blocks and moon bounces for children ages 10 and under. This event will be held August 4th from 5:30 - 7:30 pm and on August 5th and 19th from 9:30 - 11:30 am.



Community Yard Sale: On Saturday August 12th, the community center will be hosting a yard sale. In order to be a vendor you must register in advance. The registration fee is \$10.00.

Parents' Escape Night: Ages 2-12 can come to the community center while their parents hit the town! Kids will be split by age and work on a special engineering project, along with a movie and moon bounce time. Food and drinks will be provided. This event will be held on August 18th from 5:30 - 9:00 pm. The cost for first child is \$14 and others is \$13.

Archery Orientation: On August 2nd from 6:30 - 7:00 pm, ages 10 and up are invited to participate in Archery Range Safety Orientation. This is a required class in order to participate the Center's Archery Drop-in. Orientation is not instructional, participants must already know how to a bow and arrow. The cost of this event is \$5 per person.

All events will be held at the Sterling Community Center location: 120 Enterprise St in Sterling. Call 703-430-9480 if you have any questions. Visit their page on <u>Facebook</u>.



Hogar Immigrant Services

Hogar Immigrant Services provides low cost English and skill development classes, citizenship preparation classes, and citizenship application assistance. Here is some information on their upcoming class semesters and event dates. Staff can be reached at 571-208-1572 if you have any questions.

English Classes in Sterling:

- Where: Christ Redeemer Church, 46833 Harry Byrd Hwy, Sterling
- Registration Date: September 12 and 14th, 8-9 pm
- Class Schedule: Tuesday & Thursday, 8-9:30 pm
- Cost & length: \$55, 12 weeks

Citizenship Application Preparation: \$110 for a legal consultation, application preparation, and postage

- Friday, August 18 in Manassas (8251 Shoppers Sq., 20111)
- Saturday, September 23 in Arlington (1305 N Jackson St., 22201)
- Flyers and more information available at www.hogarimmigrantservices.org/workshop.

Do You Need a Job?

Crossroads Jobs, a Free Employment Service, invites you to attend their orientation. Please join Crossroads Jobs from

10:30 - 11:30 am on one of the following dates:



- July 24: Crossroads Jobs, 1 E Market St, Suite 202, Leesburg
- August 7: Loudoun Hunger Relief, 750 Miller Drive, Suite A-1, Leesburg
- August 21: Loudoun Hunger Relief, 750 Miller Drive, Suite A-1, Leesburg

<u>Please note</u>: your schedule must be flexible during orientation week. You will be required to attend other events during the week to receive the most help.

If you have any questions, please visit: www.crossroadsjobs.org or contact Crossroads Jobs at 703-771-4112, findajob@crossroadsjobs.org.



Sterling Library Happenings!

Art at the Library for Grades K-5 on August 3 at 2 PM - Learn about artists, movements, and illustrators. Explore your creative side and take your masterpiece home.

Enchanted Engineering on August 10 at 2 PM

for Grades K-5. This program will have a Goldilocks and the Three Bears theme!

Bingo Night on Friday August 11 from 6-8 PM. Teens are invited to come join the fun, play and win prizes.

Minute to Win it Challenges program on Friday, August 4th from 6-8 PM. Compete against your friends to complete as many one-minute challenges as you can to win prizes. For all teens.

This Land is Your Land citizenship classes on Saturdays, August 5 - November 18th from 9-11:50 AM. Bilingual instructors teach eligible U.S. residents relevant civics materials for the U.S. citizenship/naturalization test. The series is on Saturdays, August 5-November 18 from 9-11:50 AM.

Adult Summer Camp at Sterling Library! Join us for 3 nights of fun from 6:30-8:30 PM:

Aug 1 @ **6:30 PM:** MILL Studio Fun! Day 1 will be spent exploring the MILL Studio. Create buttons, learn how to sew, & much more!

Aug 2 @ 6:30 PM: Wii Sports Fun! Day 2 will be spent getting physical with Wii Tennis & Bowling!

Aug 3 @ **6:30 PM:** Finale & S'mores Social! Day 3 Design your own camp t-shirt with the Cameo cutting machine & enjoy s'mores with friends! Have kids? A fun children's program will be provided while adults celebrate the last day of camp!

Senior Connections: Wii Bowling on August 9 from 1-2 PM - Wii Bowling targeted to participants over 55. Meet new friends & de-stress with Wii Bowling!

Maker Families: Ellison Die Cutter Bookmarks on August 23, 6:30-7:30 PM - Make bookmarks with the Ellison die cutter in the MILL Studio. A program for everyone.



Mobile Pet Adoption Events Near You!

Loudoun County Animal Services (LCAS) will be having several mobile adoption events throughout the county during August.

Aug 1: National Night Out at Martins Chase, Ashburn, 5:30-8 pm

Aug 5: Wellness Farmers Market in Stone Ridge, 9 am-12 pm

Aug 6: Loudoun Station Farmers Market, 9 am-1 pm

August 11: Pet Valu in Ashburn, 11 am-2 pm

Aug 13: Cascades Farmers Market, 9 am-1 pm.

For more information you can find LCAS on <u>Facebook</u>, or contact them by telephone at 540-882-3211.

LoudounNow

Loudoun Now Newspaper Recommends Sterling Businesses!

Loudoun Now has released its 2017 "Readers Recommendations" and Sterling had many places make the list!m Help me congratulate each of these Sterling-based businesses!

- Reston Limousine won for best limo/car service.
- Sterling Appliance won for best appliance store.
- Buffalo Wing Factory won for best place for wings.
- Belfort Furniture won for best furniture store.

You can view the full Reader's Recommendations list on Loudoun Now's website.

Upcoming Events

Aug 2: SVFC August Volunteer Information Session. From 7-10 pm, come find out how you can be part of the Sterling Fire family. We need folks to ride the trucks and we



need folks to manage the company (recruitment, fund raising, etc.). If you have the time and desire we have a place you can help. Come find out more, or fill out the Information Request Form to have someone contact you: https://tinyurl.com/svfc-virf. Location: 46700 Middlefield Dr, Sterling.

Aug 8: The next Sterling Foundation monthly meeting is being held at the new Sterling Library at 7 pm.

Aug 12: Dairy Day and Ice Cream Social @ Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum. From 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, meet live cows, taste ice cream served by the Virginia Dairy Court, and enjoy special family programs! For more information, visit the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum.

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